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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Applicant : Donald Aves  
Serial No. : 09/320,303  
Filed : May 26, 1999  
For : METHOD FOR SELECTING OPTIMIZED LENGTHS  
OF A SEGMENTED TRANSMISSION LINE AND A  
TRANSMISSION LINE RESULTING THEREFROM  
Art Unit : 2123  
Examiner : Hugh M. Jones

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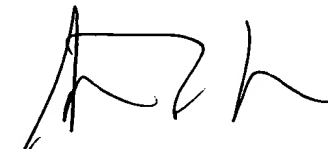
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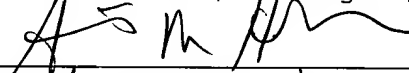
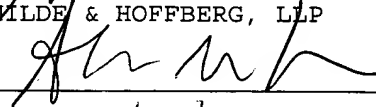
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